

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: TEC03-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Robert F. Mouradian, Patrick J. Kennedy, and

K. Stephen Johnson, Jr.

Serial No.: 10/617,588

For: VAPOR ANALYSIS APPARATUS AND METHOD

Filing Date: July 11, 2003 Examiner: Brian J. Sines

Art Unit: 1743 Conf. No.: 3698

Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. §1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**, Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on:

Date: May 3, 2007

By: Pina L. Butler

(Typed or printed name of person mailing Document, whose signature appears below)

Signature:

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on <u>April 2, 2007</u> in connection with the above-identified Application.

U.S. Application No.: 10/617,588 Attorney Docket No.: TEC03-01

- 2 -

The Office Action imposed a restriction by requiring that Applicants elect one of Group I (Claims 1-24, 30-38 and 40-55) and Group II (Claims 25-29 and 39).

Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group 1, i.e., Claims 1-24, 30-38 and 40-55.

Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue claims of at least the scope of the non-elected claims (i.e., claims 25-29 and 39) in one or more related Applications.

An early and favorable communication is hereby earnestly requested. If the Examiner believes, after this Response, that the Application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants Representative collect at (508) 616-9660, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this submission, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. <u>50-3735</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Rouille, Esq. Attorney for Applicant

Registration No.: 40,150 Chapin Intellectual Property Law, LLC

Westborough Office Park 1700 West Park Drive

Westborough, Massachusetts 01581

Telephone: (508) 616-9660 Facsimile: (508) 616-9661

Attorney Docket No.: TEC03-01

Dated: May 3, 2007